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- (1) leukemia inhibitory factor (LIF),
  - (2) basic fibroblast growth factor (bFGF),
  - (3) stem cell factor (SCF) and
  - (4) insulin-like growth factor (IGF),

for prolonged time period sufficient to produce a culture having a compact multilayer like appearance whereby said culturing may be performed in the absence of a feeder layer;

- (iii) identifying EG cells contained therein.

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14. (Amended) An improved method of producing chimeric avians which comprises:

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- (i) isolating primordial germ cells from an avian;
  - (ii) maintaining such PGCs in a tissue culture medium containing at least the following growth factors;
    - (1) leukemia inhibitory factor (LIF),
    - (2) basic fibroblast growth factor (bFGF),
    - (3) stem cell factor (SCF) and
    - (4) insulin-like growth factor (IGF) for a sufficient time to produce embryonic germ (EG) cells whereby said culture may be maintained in the absence of a feeder layer;

- (iii) transferring said EG cells into a recipient avian embryo; and
- (iv) selecting for chimeric avians which have the desired PGC phenotype.